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ACID-GAS ABSORBING TABLET AND METHOD OF USE

### LETTER

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D. C. 20231

### Sir:

This is in response to the "Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application- Filing Date Granted" dated February 27, 2001

Transmitted herewith is a declaration signed by the inventors Stanley B. Miller, III, Louis Patrone and Patricia A. Ziarniak.

Also enclosed herewith is a check in the amount of \$1,046 in payment of the following:

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